Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims reflects all claim amendments and replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Material to be inserted is in **bold and underline** and material to be deleted is in ~~strikeout~~ or, if the deletion is of five or fewer consecutive characters or would be difficult to see, in double brackets [[ ]].

In brief, claim 57 has been amended.

1-56. (Canceled)

57. (Currently Amended) A system for bone fixation, comprising:

a bone plate structured to be secured to a bone **such that the bone plate covers an exterior surface region of the bone, the bone plate** [[and]] including a connective feature; and

a guide device including a guide portion and being structured to attach to the bone plate and to extend around the bone from the bone plate such that the guide portion opposes the bone plate across the bone and defines a guide axis for the connective feature of the bone plate.

58-73. (Canceled)

74. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the bone plate includes an inner surface that faces the bone and an outer surface that opposes the inner surface, and wherein the guide portion is disposed closer to the inner surface than the outer surface.

75. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the connective feature is a threaded opening.

76. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 75, the threaded opening being a plurality of threaded openings included in the bone plate, wherein the guide portion is configured to guide fasteners through the bone and then to each of the threaded openings.

77. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the guide portion includes a frame and a guide element coupled movably to the frame, and wherein the guide element defines the guide axis.

78. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 77, wherein the guide element is movable parallel to the guide axis.

79. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 78, wherein the guide element includes indicia configured to measure a distance along the guide axis, and wherein the distance corresponds to a spacing of the bone plate from the guide element.

80. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 77, wherein the bone plate includes a plurality of predefined positions, and wherein the guide element is movable to define guide axes intersecting each of the predefined positions.

81. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 77, wherein the guide portion includes a detent mechanism configured to restrict movement of the guide element.

82. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 81, wherein the detent mechanism is configured to permit movement of the guide element toward the bone and to restrict movement of the guide element away from the bone.

83. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 81, wherein the detent mechanism is configured to be releasable manually without tools.

84. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the guide portion is configured to be movable into engagement with the bone so that the bone is pushed toward the bone plate.

85. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the guide portion includes a removable cannula defining the guide axis.

86. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the bone is a radius bone, and wherein the bone plate is configured to be connected adjacent a distal volar surface of the radius bone.

87. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the bone plate and the guide device are configured in correspondence for use on a left side or a right side of a body, but not both.

88. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the guide device extends only to an opposing side of the bone from the bone plate when the bone plate is secured to bone and the guide device is attached to the bone plate.

89. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 57, wherein the guide device extends about half way around the bone from the bone plate when the bone plate is secured to bone and the guide device is attached to the bone plate.